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Sports Venue Report

Intelligence Division
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INTELLIGENCE DIVISION DEMOGRAPHICS UNIT SPORTS VENUES REPORT

Overview:

The Demographics Unit examined the sports venues for both the Arab and South Asian communities. This examination specifically focused on the individual sports, where they are played, and where fans gather to view the sporting events.

Methodology:

The Demographics Unit identified the sports of cricket, soccer and billiards as the primary sports within the communities.

After the initial research was concluded, members of the unit identified locations where the sports are played locally and locations where fans gather to view the sporting events. The list was then vetted for their proximity to places and neighborhoods of interest. The result was that fifty five (55) locations were identified. Upon the identification of the locations, members of the Demographics Unit conducted field work, in the form of visits, to these locations to ascertain the required information.

Conclusions:

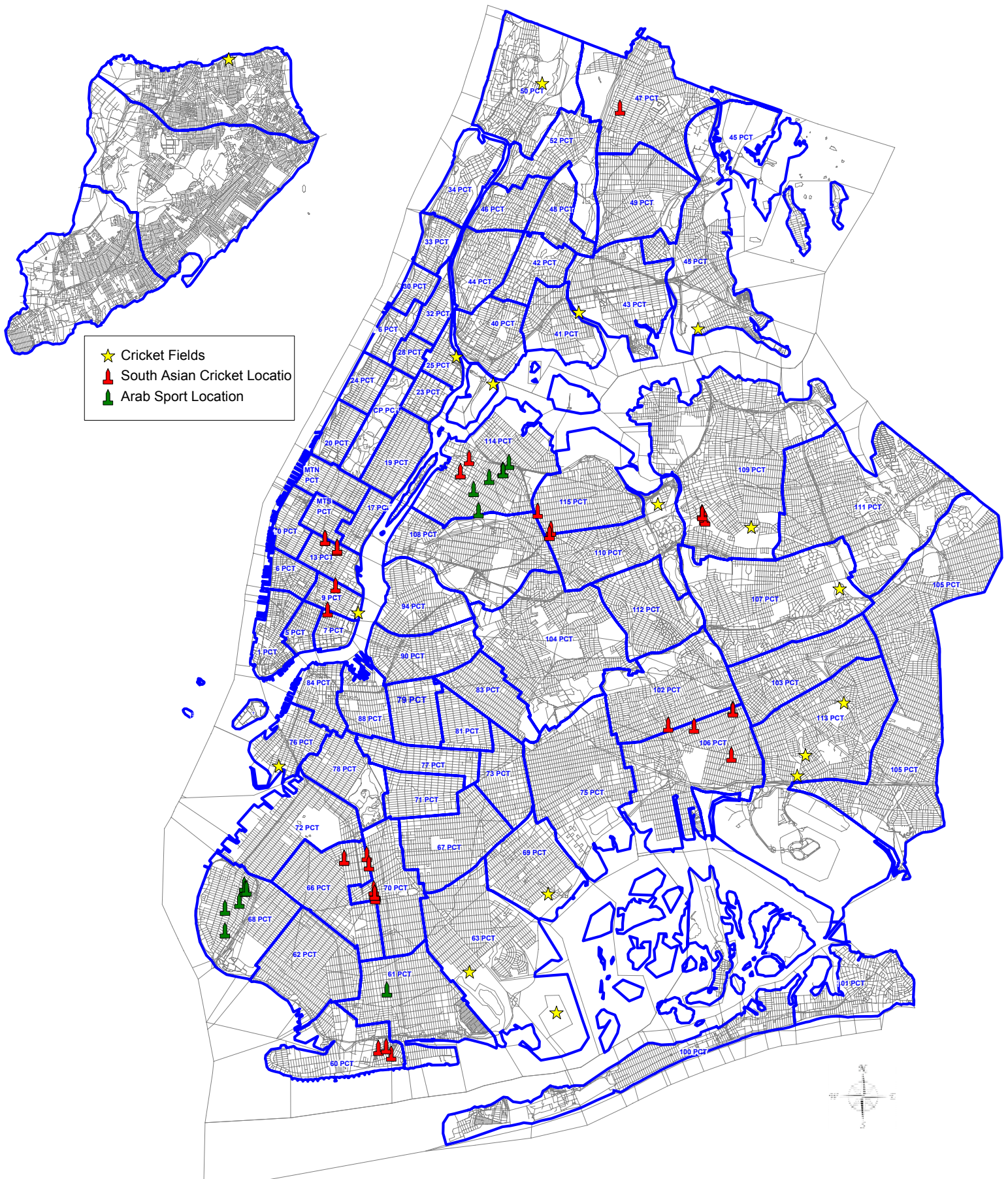
The Demographics Unit identified there are distinct differences between the South Asian and Arab communities with regard to the sports played and the general level of sporting interest.

The South Asian community within New York City contains avid fans of the sport of Cricket. Members of the Demographics Unit identified eighteen (18) parks citywide where Cricket is played, some of which have more than one Cricket field therein. Additionally, the Demographics Unit identified forty (40) locations where fans congregate to view broadcasts of Cricket matches and or to purchase Cricket equipment.

The role of sports within the Arab community is not as wide spread as it generally is in America. Traditionally, the most widely played athletic sport in Arab speaking countries is Soccer. In addition to Soccer, the only other sport to which Arabs are drawn is Billiards. Billiards serves a dual purpose in the Arab community. People play Billiards for the sport in it as well as the opportunity to socialize with their friends in a friendly atmosphere.



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South Asian Sports Locations



South Asian Sports Locations



CRICKET FIELDS IN NYC

Bronx Cricket Fields

Cricket Field	# of Fields	Location
Van Cortland Park	12	West 242 nd - West 250 th Street & Broadway
Ferry Point Park	2	Hutchinson River Pkwy.-Emerson Avenue Whitestone
Van Cortland Park	1	Henry Hudson & Broadway Stables
Sound View Park	2	Lafayette Avenue. & Colgate Avenue.

Brooklyn Cricket Fields

Cricket Field	Location
Canarsie Beach Park	Seaview Avenue. & East 92nd Street.
Marine Park	Flimore Avenue. & Marine Pkwy.
Floyd Bennett Field	Flatbush Avenue/Marine Parkway Bridge
Red Hook Complex	Bay Street, Creame Street., Court Street, Columbia Street, Henry Street., Hick Street. & Lorraine Street.

Manhattan Cricket Fields

Cricket Field	Location
Randall's Island Park	Randall's Island
East River Park	Montgomery Street to E 12 Street, FDR Drive Manhattan
Harlem River Park	East 127 Street between 2 nd Ave and Harlem River Drive Manhattan

Queens Cricket Fields

Cricket Field	Location
Baisley Pond Park	North Conduit Avenue. and Baisley Boulevard
Baisley Park South	150th Street. And 134th Avenue.
Kissena Corridor Park	Peck Avenue. and Underhill Avenue.
Cunningham Park	Horace Harding Expwy. & Grand Central Pkwy.
St. Albans Park	Merrick Boulevard., 173 Place, Sayers Avenue.
Flushing Meadow Park	Roosevelt Avenue to Corona Avenue 111 Street to Flushing Bay

Staten Island Cricket Fields

Cricket Field	Location
District 1, Walker Park	Delafield Avenue and Davis Avenue



- **Chutney:** 118 East 1st Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians



- **Lazzat Deli & Restaurant:** 210 1st Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Haandi Restaurant:** 113 Lexington Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **New Naimat Kada Restaurant:** 124 Lexington Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location has a small room downstairs; the floor was covered with a white sheet. Possibly a prayer area. Popular place for yellow cab drivers to spend time. Flyers for local community events and rooms for rent are posted inside and outside of location. Pakistani local Urdu newspapers are available.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Afghanis, Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Chandni Restaurant:** 11 West 29 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** African Muslims, Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Lasani Restaurant:** 13 West 29th Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** African Muslims, Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Primrose Cricket Club:** 3836 White Plains Road
- **Business:** Sporting Club.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians



- **Pak Nasheman Restaurant and Sweets:** 3149 Coney Island Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians



- **SA Sports:** 327 Neptune Avenue
 - **Business:** Sporting goods.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Shama Restaurant and Sweets:** 232 Neptune Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant and sweet shop.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Jhinuk Restaurant:** 478 McDonald Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshi.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Pakistanis and Indians



- **Bukhari Restaurant:** 1095 Coney Island Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location occasionally shows live sporting events (cricket).
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Afghans and Indians.



- **Makkah Restaurant:** 1150 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location occasionally shows live sporting events (cricket).
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Madina Restaurant and Sweets:** 563 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Pak Kashmir Restaurant:** 1076 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location occasionally shows live sporting events (cricket).
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Afghanis and Indians.



- **Pakiza Restaurant:** 1032 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location occasionally shows live sporting events (cricket).
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Afghanis and Indians.



- **Shandar Sweets and Restaurant:** 679 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Desi Dhaba Sweets and Restaurant:** 1083 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Arabs and Indians.



- **Urdu Bazaar:** 1082 Coney Island Avenue
 - **Business:** Islamic book store/ Sporting goods (cricket).
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Location also carries a large selection of cricket equipment.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Afghanis and Indians.



- **Friends Fried Chicken and Tandoori Restaurant:** 1203 Liberty Avenue
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshis.
 - **Cricket Fan hangout location.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Pakistanis and Indians.



- **Singh Sporting Goods:** 100-06 101st Avenue
- **Business:** Sporting goods.
 - **Owner:** Guyanese
 - **Information of Note:** Owner is a direct importer and exporter of cricket equipments from India and Pakistan.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Pakistanis and Indians.



- **Flamingo Cricket and Social Club** 122-30 Rockaway Boulevard
- **Business:** Social Club
 - **Owner:** Guyanese
 - **Information of Note:** Popular sports viewing location.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Pakistanis and Indians



- **Randy's Sports Bar and Grill:** 131-23 Liberty Avenue
- **Business:** Bar
 - **Owner:** Guyanese
 - **Alleged Activities:** Popular sports viewing location.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Pakistanis and Indians.



- **Singh's Roti Shop and Bar:** 131-14 Liberty Avenue
- **Business:** Bar and Restaurant
 - **Owner:** Indian
 - **Information of Note:** Popular sports viewing location.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Pakistanis and Indians



- **Ghoroa Sweets and Restaurant:** 168-41 Hillside Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshis.
 - **Information of Note:** Members of the Jamaica Cricket Association hang out in the vicinity of the location.
 - **Cricket Fan hangout location.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Afghanis, Pakistanis and Indians.



- **Sagar Sweets and Restaurant:** 168-25B Hillside Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshis.
 - **Information of Note:** Members of Jamaica Cricket Association hang out in the vicinity of the location.
 - **Cricket Fan hangout location.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Afghanis, Pakistanis and Indians.



- **Chatkhara Kabab House:** 43-11 Main Street
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Afghanis, Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Choopan Kabab Restaurant:** 43-27 Main Street
 - **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Afghanis and Indians



- **Kabul Kebab House:** 42-51 Main Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Afghani.
 - **Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Pakistanis, Bangladeshi and Indians.



- **Sheer-Punjab Restaurant:** 42-67 Main Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **786 Kebab and Curry:** 33-10 21 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Aladdin Sweets and Restaurant:** 29-06 36th Avenue
- **Business:** Restaurant and Sweet Shop.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshis.
 - **Information of Note:** Cricket fan hangout. Location has a big screen TV, which broadcasts all cricket events.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Pakistanis, Nepalese, Sikhs and Indians.



- **Roti Boti Restaurant:** 27-09 21st Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Arabs, and Indians.



- **Shahi Kabab Restaurant:** 28-02 21 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians



- **Tikka Boti Restaurant:** 31-06 21 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.



- **Alauddin Sweets:** 37-14 73 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant and Sweet Shop.
 - **Owner:** Bangladeshi.
 - **Information of Note:** Location has a big screen TV, which broadcasts all cricket events.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Pakistanis, Nepalese, Sikhs and Indians.



- **Al-Naimat Sweets and Restaurant:** 37-03 74 Street
- **Business:** Restaurant and Sweet Shop.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Nepalese, Sikhs and Indians.



- **Eagle Movie Theater:** 73-07 37 Road
- **Business:** Movie Theater.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Information of Note:** Cricket/Sports fan hangout. Location occasionally shows live sporting events (cricket and soccer).
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Filipinos, Nepalese and Indians.



- **Kabab King:** 73-01 37 Road
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis, Filipinos, Nepalese and Indians.



- **Sun Shine Restaurant:** 69-15 Northern Boulevard
- **Business:** Restaurant.
 - **Owner:** Pakistani.
 - **Sports/Cricket Viewing location; Cricket Fan hangout**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Bangladeshis and Indians.

Arab Sports Locations





Arab Sports Locations





- **Tea Room Café:** 9126 4th Avenue
- **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Lebanese and Caucasians.



- **Bianky Cafe:** 2340 Coney Island Avenue
- **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Syrians, Moroccans, and Lebanese



- **Ya Liel Ya Eien:** 7116 5th Avenue
- **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Palestinian.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Lebanese, Palestinians, Egyptians, and Yemenis.



- **Status Q Billiards:** 8218-20 3rd Avenue
- **Business:** Billiards and Cafe
 - **Owner:** Italian male
 - **Information of note:** One large floor which contains: pool tables, a full bar, and a light snack area.
 - **Billiards location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Palestinians, Egyptians, and Lebanese.



- **Meena House Café:** 476 Bay Ridge Avenue
 - **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **International Soccer games viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Syrians, Moroccans, and Lebanese.



- **6 M Hair Stylist:** 477 77th Street
 - **Business:** Barber Shop.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **Information of note:** Local community members congregate here to view soccer games.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Syrians, Moroccans, Algerians and Lebanese



➤ **Hall of Fame Billiards:** 505 Ovington Street

- **Business:** Billiards and Cafe
- **Owner:**
- **Information of note:** One large floor which contains: pool tables, a full bar, and a light snack area.
- **Billiards location.**
- **Ethnic Groups:** Palestinians, Egyptians, and Lebanese.



➤ **Arabesque Cafe and Bazaar:** 409 Bay Ridge Avenue

- **Business:** Traditional Arabic cafe
- **Owner:** Egyptian.
- **Information of note:** This cafe sells Egyptian antiques. Flyers and local newspaper are available with listings posted for apartment for rent and available jobs.
- **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Syrians, Moroccans and Lebanese



- **Egyptian Café:** 25-62 Steinway Street
 - **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Other Ethnic Groups:** Moroccans, Palestinians and Lebanese.



- **El-Khayam Cafe:** 25-72 Steinway Street
 - **Business:** Traditional Arabic Café.
 - **Owner:** Egyptian.
 - **International Soccer viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Palestinians, Syrians, Moroccans, Algerians and Lebanese



- **La Meditrerranee Café Grill:** 25-75 Steinway Street
- **Business:** Traditional Arabic restaurant and café.
 - **Owner:** Moroccan.
 - **International Soccer games viewing location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Algerians, Moroccans and Tunisians.



- **Astoria Billiards Club:** 35-21 30th Avenue
- **Business:** Billiards and Café
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Palestinians, Yemenis, Lebanese, and Egyptians



- **Astoria Park:** Located at Astoria Blvd. and 19th Street (under the Triboro Bridge)
 - **Location:** City Park under the Triboro Bridge which has a soccer field.
 - **Information of note:** This is a popular area park which provides a variety of activities.
 - **Soccer games:** Arabs in this area frequent this park, especially on Sundays, to play pickup soccer games.
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Egyptians, Algerians, Moroccans and Tunisians.



- **Olympia Café & Billiards Corp.:** Located at 23-44 Steinway Street
 - **Business:** Billiards & Café
 - **Information of note:** Location has a large main floor. Location serves snack food and has a bar area.
 - **Billiards and hangout location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Moroccans, Egyptians, Greek, and Albanians



- **Steinway Café-Billiards:** Located at 35-25 Steinway Street
 - **Business:** Billiards & Café
 - **Information of note:** One large main floor with a video arcade. Location serves snack food and has a bar area.
 - **Billiards and hangout location.**
 - Ethnic Groups: **Albanians and Egyptians**



- **Fieldston Billiards:** 5905 Broadway
 - **Business:** Billiards and Café
 - **Information of note:** Location consists of a main floor and basement level. Snacks are served on the main floor. Various Arabs frequent this location from nearby Yonkers as well as Manhattan College.
 - **Billiards and hangout location.**
 - **Ethnic Groups:** Palestinians, Yemenis, and Saudi Arabians



Park Billiards and Café: 2020 White Plains Road

- **Business:** Billiards and Cafe
- **Information of note:** This location has two floors as well as a bar area which also serves fast food. Popular hangout spot for males of Middle Eastern descent.
- **Billiards and hangout location.**
- **Ethnic Groups:** Palestinians, Jordanians, and Yemeni.